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**PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF**  
**NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE**

Sir/Madam:

In response to a second Notification of Defective Response mailed on April 25, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.

**RESPONSE**

1. On September 20, 2002, a Notification of Defective Response was received noting an application number of 10/019,797 and indicating that the number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation were not the same. A copy of the Notification of Defective Response is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

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2. On October 15, 2003, a Response to the Notification of Defective Response was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. A copy of the Response is attached hereto as Exhibit "B."
3. On May 1, 2003, a Notification of Defective Response was received indicating that the number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation were not the same. A copy of the Notification of Defective Response is attached hereto as Exhibit "C."
4. On May 2, 2003 this office contacted Anita Johnson and explained that we had addressed the issue of the number of claims in our Response to the first Notification of Defective Response. Anita Johnson agreed to pull the file and contact us.
5. On May 7, 2003 Anita Johnson contacted this office, advised this office to ignore the second Notification of Defective Response, and indicated that she would be sending out a Notice of Acceptance and Official Filing Receipt.
6. On May 22, 2003, this office contacted Anita Johnson as we had not yet received a Notice of Acceptance or Official Filing Receipt. Anita Johnson advised that the Notice of Acceptance was mailed on May 20, 2003.
7. Accordingly, Applicants request that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office withdraw the second Notification of Defective Response in this matter.
8. Because this error is not the fault of the Applicants, no Petition Fee is enclosed.

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**CONCLUSION**

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any additional fees incurred as a result of the filing hereof or credit any overpayment to our deposit account #19-0120.

Respectfully submitted,  
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